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In re application of:

Venkiteswatan Subramanian, et al.

Application No.: 09/373,333

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97 and

§ 1.98

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Sir:

The references cited on the attached PTO-1449 form are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. As some of the references cited in the enclosed PTO1449 form are from the International Search Report dated January 28, 2000, for PCTUS99/18394, a copy is enclosed for your reference.

Applicant believes that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the

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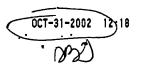
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ATENT COOPERATION TRES

FB 200 From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY To: NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF MAXYGEN, INC. Attn. PETITHORY, J. INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT OR THE DECLARATION 515 Galveston Drive Redwood City, California 94063 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (PCT Rule 44.1) Date of mailing (day/montr/year) 11/02/2000 Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION 0113.100 See paragraphs 1 and 4 below international application No International filing date (cay/month/year) PCT/US 99/18394 12/08/1999 Applicant MAXYGEN, INC.

الكا ١٠	The applicant is hereby notified that the International Search Report has been established and is transmitted herewith.			
	Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19: The applicant is enabled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the International Application (see Rule 46): When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally 2 months from the date of transmittal of the International Search Report; however, for more details, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.			
	Where?	Directly to the	International Bureau of WIPO 34, chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland Fascimile No.: (41–22) 740.14.35	DOCKETED on/by 7/5 BQ Atty. GMF PA File # 01/3,100
	For more	detailed instru	actions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.	Final Date 3/2/00 RSD -0/1/50:
2.	The applicant is hereby notified that no International Search Report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect is transmitted herewith.			
3.	With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that: the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.			
<u> </u>	no c	decision has be	en made yet on the protest; the applicant will be not	ified as soon as a decision is made.
4. Furt	her action	(s): The app	icant is reminded of the following:	
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NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220 (continued)

The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, at particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

- [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:
 *Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers;
 claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added.*
- [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]:
 Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11.
- [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims]:
 "Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged, claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or
 "Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
- [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:
 "Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 supdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

"Statement under article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1))

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

it must be in the language in which the international appplication is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, protectably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of catations contained in that report. Reference to catations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

Consequence if a demand for international proliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the same time of filing the amendments with the International Bureau, also file a copy of such amendments with the International Preliminary Examining Authority (see Rule 62.2(a), first sentence).

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, where upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.